Michigan Credential Transparency



EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

The Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity's Office of Employment & Training (LEO-E&T) has partnered with Credential Engine to create credential transparency, literacy and consistency in Michigan. Credential Engine's Credential Registry allows a consistent approach to education and training transparency through a single national platform. LEO-E&T's partnership with education and employer communities supports Michigan's education and training transparency through Credential Engine technologies.

Why is Credential Transparency Important to Michigan?

Job seekers, students and workers have more options than ever to help them get ahead through degrees, licenses, badges and registered apprenticeships – but there has never been an efficient, maintained or widely-understood method to collect, search and compare credentials. With almost 1 million confirmed credentials in the U.S., and close to 13 thousand in Michigan alone, this lack of information contributes to confusion and uninformed decision making.

Who is Credential Engine?

Credential Engine is a non-profit organization with a mission to create credential transparency, reveal the credential marketplace, increase credential literacy, and empower everyone to make more informed decisions about credentials and their value.

- The information submitted to the Credential Registry will be added to data presented by state information systems, helping users make better education and training connections to credentials and then better credential connections to employment.
- It also assists Michiganders with mapping career pathways.

Why Is Credential Transparency Valuable?

Credential transparency gives those looking for education and training options data to make informed decisions, enables employers to better evaluate a credential's ability to meet business needs, and allows organizations that assist students, workers, employers, and other stakeholders to provide clearer information about the value of various credentials.

What is the Credential Finder?

The Credential Finder is a tool for exploring all of the information published to the Credential Registry. Explore at *CredentialFinder.org*.

INCREASE TRANSPARENCY OF SKILLS LEARNED









How Does Credential Engine Provide Credential Transparency?

Credential Engine provides web-based services in the form of the first centralized, national database to collect current information about credentials, a common description language, and the ability to create customized applications to relay and use credential information.

Where can you learn more about Michigan Credential Transparency?

To learn more about Michigan Credential Transparency, please visit *Michigan.gov/ CredentialTransparency*.